

**METHOD AND APPARATUS USING BIOMETRIC SENSORS FOR
CONTROLLING ACCESS TO A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE**

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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A wireless communication device (300) and corresponding system therein
uses a plurality of biometric sensors (206, 208, 210) for assessing the identity of a
user requesting access to a feature or service provided via the wireless
communication device (300). A method comprises collecting (410) a biometric
10 sample from one of the sensors and enabling the feature or service (414) when the
sample matches a known sample (412) corresponding to the user. Preferably a sensor
will be selected, based on evaluating whether a corresponding predetermined
condition exists (406), from a list of the plurality of sensors that is prioritized
according to accuracy and ease of use of the sensor.